

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| In re Application of         | : | PATENT                   |
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| Henry AZIMA et al.           | : |                          |
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| For: BENDING WAVE            | : |                          |
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**REQUEST FOR NEW OFFICE ACTION**  
**AND NEW PERIOD FOR REPLY**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

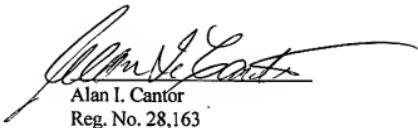
This paper is responsive to the final Office Action dated March 13, 2009, in the above-identified application. It also confirms the substance of the telephone interview between the undersigned and Examiner Robinson on April 30, 2009.

A new Office Action is needed because the March 13<sup>th</sup> Office Action is incomplete. Specifically, independent claim 29, which the Office Action Summary page indicates is rejected, is not addressed at all in the body of the Office Action, making it impossible for Applicants to address the supposed rejection in their reply.

This omission was brought to the Examiner's attention by the undersigned in a telephone interview on April 30<sup>th</sup>. During the interview, the undersigned also pointed out that claims 10 and 22, which recite similar limitations, were not treated equally: claim 10 is rejected over prior art, while claim 22 is deemed allowable. The Examiner agreed that further action by the Office was needed in order to avoid piecemeal examination. See MPEP §707.07(g).

In the circumstances, a new and complete Office Action should be mailed, either supplementing or rescinding the March 13<sup>th</sup> Office Action, and setting a new reply period of at least two months. See MPEP §710.06.

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